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## BIRTH.

On the 24th July, at Blackheath, England, the wife of ARTHUR SUGDEN, I.M. Customs, of a son.

## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VUEX ROAD CL.  
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, 27th August, 1902.

We can hardly regard as new the intelligence telegraphed from London on our issue of to-day, that the French authorities are considering the project to establish a naval base at Kwanchau-wan. This project is mentioned in the book which we reviewed yesterday, *The French in Tonkin and South China*, and the creation of a naval base on the spot was one of the schemes of the restless M. DUMER, who predicted just before he left Indo-China that Kwanchau-wan would become one of France's great naval establishments. Furthermore, a recently published report of the Director of Public Works for Indo-China announces that a naval base is to be set up there. Perhaps the news intended to be conveyed by the London telegram is that the present time under deliberation the speedy carrying into effect of such a plan. Fort Bayard, mentioned in the despatch, is the civil settlement of Kwanchau-wan at the mouth of the river and Nivert is a short distance off nearer the entrance of the bay. There can be no doubt that the site is well chosen. The Director of Public Works in the report referred to above points out—no quote from Mr. CUNNINGHAM's book—that the Bay of Kwanchau-wan seems naturally destined to be the point d'appui of the French fleet in the Far East, as there is ample accommodation in it for a large squadron, and for more than ten miles there is an average depth of twenty metres. In conjunction with Admiral PORRIEN he went fully into the question and they recommended the government to undertake two docks, coal-wharves, an arsenal,

and fortifications, and dredging operations; the latter are very necessary, as there is a sand-bar to be got rid of. The estimate of the expenses of such a scheme exceeded twenty-eight millions of francs. The cost as given in our London correspondent's despatch is £1,250,000, which is a little more. The idea is an ambitious one and if carried out thoroughly will give France an admirable base for her navy in South China, well situated and naturally strong, and is within a few hours of the prosperous coalfields of Hongay where a second-class naval station is to be established. It will also without doubt largely decide the question of the future prosperity of Kwanchau-wan, particularly if, in accordance with the advice of M. DUMER, it is maintained as an open port and not brought under the protective system which hinders the growth of Indo-Chinese trade. If the confidence of the natives can be restored, the situation of the French port gives it a great opportunity of capturing the transit trade at present starting from and coming to Pakhoi. With the addition of a railway (which is not altogether undreamt of by some ambitious French Colonials), a revolution might be effected in the trade of South China. We do not even hazard a guess whether such changes are probable. But their possibility is something which Hongkong cannot afford to lose sight of, in the comfortable confidence of her present prosperity. In the political aspect of the matter, too, Hongkong is vitally interested. Kwanchau-wan is but two hundred miles from Hongkong, and did it become under French rule a first-class naval base it is useless to shut our eyes to the fact that the strategic position of Hongkong would be materially affected. However friendly the Power, the close proximity of a great naval base and depot of that Power to one of our most important possessions, as this island undoubtedly is, can only be looked on as a menace, necessitating a strengthening of our resources in this part of the world. Kwanchau-wan, we are quite prepared to believe, was occupied and will be converted into a naval base, without any hostile intentions against Great Britain; but, nevertheless, the threat is there, latent though it may be.

Two more Chinese plague cases, both fatal, were reported up to noon yesterday. One body was found in George Lane.

The band of the 33rd Burma Infantry will play selections of music at the Queen's Hotel, Kowloon, to-morrow evening during dinner.

The *Free Press* says that on the 14th inst. a tiger was caught in a pit-trap about half-way between Kullang and Doong Liang. The tiger had been living on pigs and dogs in that neighbourhood during the winter. It was reported to be a female and to have two cubs, for which the natives are now seeking.

Some commotion was created in Queen's Road East yesterday afternoon by the spectacle of a drunken blue-jacket being treated to the "frog's march" by a party of Garrison military police. The prisoner's language was as violent as were his struggles, and the half-dozen soldiers in charge of him had no light task on their hands.

Mr. Thomas Henderson Whitehead, the home papers state, has been appointed joint manager of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, in conjunction with Mr. Caleb Lewis. We congratulate Mr. Whitehead on this merited distinction, which unfortunately, however, seems to dispose of any hopes of his return to Hongkong.

With reference to the case of stone-throwing in Winglok Street on Sunday night, it appears that the two Chinese, though in uniforms resembling those of the police, were not *l'akongs* but private watchmen. It is satisfactory to find that the two men in question were not in the police force, but on the other hand the absence of a constable from Winglok Street and its immediate neighbourhood is not satisfactory if, as we have heard from various sources, the throwing of missiles is indulged in there.

The following appointments have been made at the Admiralty:—Lieutenants: Cyril Asser, to *Glory*, for *Fame*; Chas. P. Mansell, to *Tamar*, for *Whiting*; Geo. C. Hardy, to *Gothic*, for *Hart* (all in command on recommissioning, undated); Robert G. Hammond, to *Gothic*, for *Hart*, on recommissioning (undated). Sub-Lieutenants: Herbert B. Stokes, to *Glory*, for *Fame*; John A. S. Blackwood, to *Tamar*, for *Whiting*, both on recommissioning (undated); Inspector of Machinery W. Sharp, to the *Gothic*, additional, for service with the China Fleet (to date July 21).

Orders have been issued directing the 30-knot torpedo-boat destroyer *Fame* to be recommissioned on the China Station, and attached as tender to the battleship *Glory*, flagship of Sir Cyril A. G. Bridges, Commander-in-Chief. The *Fame* will be commissioned by Lieut.-Com. C. Asser. The 30-knot destroyer *Whiting* and the 27-knot destroyer *Hart* also ordered to be recommissioned on the China Station, the *Whiting* by Lieut. C. P. Mansell, as tender to the *Tamar*, receiving ship at Hongkong, and the *Hart* by Lieut. G. C. Hardy as tender to the battleship *Gothic*.

H.M. first-class cruiser *Amphitrite* is en route to Hongkong from Weihaiwei. The river gunboat *Ten* has left Shanghai for the Yangtze.

The Tsar has awarded the gold Russian war medal to 13 corporals of the German *Masines* who took part in the defence of the Peking Legations.

The revenue derived from Chinese immigration into Canada during the fiscal year is returned at \$364,972, as compared with \$373,704 in the previous year. This results from the doubling of the poll-tax, which is now \$100.

Baron von Czikaun, the Austrian Minister in Peking, arrived in Vienna on the 19th ult., coming by the Siberian Railway. Baron von Czikaun says travelling on the Siberian Railway is rather tiresome and very slow. During the greater part of the journey the accommodation was rather deficient.

It is reported that the re-establishment of free trade in Vidua took is being considered by the Russian Ministry of Finance, as it is found impossible to guard the frontier of several thousand versts to prevent smuggling, and the only logical way out of this difficulty is the return to the old state of affairs, i.e., free trade.

There is no such thing as a novel of newspaper in Korea, says a London paper. No regular story-writer is known to have lived there for 1,000 years. Education consists in a knowledge of the immortal Chinese classics. So sacred are printed books to the Koreans that they cannot be tossed about or trodden upon without offending the gods.

At Birkenhead on the 22nd ult., five Chinese sailors were charged with having deserted from the *Ching Wo*, a vessel belonging to the China Mutual Company. They complained that they had been ill-treated by their superiors, and would be hanged if handed over. An officer from the ship denied the allegation. The sailors were ordered back to their ship.

In spite of the very damaging revelations of late, with regard to his conduct at Colono, General Buller's popularity in his own country continues. On his way to distribute prizes at Blundells School the other day, General and Lady Buller arrived in Tiverton and were accorded a popular ovation. The General's carriage was unhorsed, and drawn by the townsmen through the streets. Acknowledging this reception, General Buller said: "Believe me, when I have got the chance to tell the truth I will show that the reception you have given me is not unworthy of me."

The following from the latest mail papers refers to an affair of which we have already had the outlines.—The latest particulars concerning the scandalous behaviour of Life Guards officers at Windsor go to show that there is a desire on the part of those concerned in the "ragging" of Lieutenant Gregson to treat the whole affair as a practical joke, the outcome of a spirit of boisterous fun. Every effort is being made to have the matter hushed up. An inquiry has been ordered by Lieut.-Colonel Sir Audley Neeld, and the finding will decide whether Lieutenant Gregson's assistants will appear before a military tribunal to answer for their conduct.

The attention of the Foreign Office having been drawn to the fact that British postal packages to China pay duty to the Customs, while parcels arriving by German or French mails escape duty free, Lord Cranborne has informed Mr. Trenchard, M.P., that import duty has been charged upon British postal packages to China, and that there is no doubt concerning the legality of the practice. "It is understood, however, that parcels from France and Germany have escaped such taxation and the Foreign Office will certainly insist upon equality of treatment. It appears that post offices are maintained in China by France and Germany, and also by Great Britain, Japan, and Russia. His Majesty's Government are anxious, however, whether the Chinese Government have sanctioned the French and German post offices."

At Tientsin the governmental palace has been enlarged by additional buildings. The Government out there also is busy making good what the Chinese had spoiled in their time; they had hewn down all the trees in the settlement, without planting new ones in their place. It is hoped that as the settlement is fortified again the climate out there will improve. The military force at Kiaochow so far has consisted of five companies; the Naval Field Artillery of the three sea battalions and the Naval Artillery detachment. On Oct 1 the whole detachment will be altered into a Naval Artillery detachment. Up to now a captain-lieutenant was the commander of the detachment, but on Oct 1 an officer of the Staff will command the new formation, and Navy Captain Jacobsen has been named for that office, after having been busy in China since 1901.

To a correspondent who has had a conversation with him Viscount Watanabe stated that he regarded Japan's financial position as thoroughly sound. Comparing the ordinary expenditure with the income the balance was on the right side. He had no reason to believe that any depression in Japan's finances was to be looked for in the near future. On the contrary, he thought there was the strongest justification for thinking that the era of prosperity that had set in would continue. Asked how he regarded the alliance between England and Japan Viscount Watanabe replied, "I regard it with every respect." "It would make for peace in the Far East, as nothing had ever been before. That identity of interest which had given birth to the alliance would continue, he hoped, for a long time. It was the duty of England and Japan to ensure peace as far as possible in the Far East."

H.M.S.S. *Wicoma*, *Moerke*, and *Taka* are in dock at Kowloon, and the *Binaldo* at the Cosmopolitan Dock.

Regarding the Java-China-Japan line of steamers, it is said that three private Netherlands dockyards are invited to deliver tenders each for one vessel—viz., at Amsterdam, Rotterdam and Flushing. One steamer will be constructed out of Holland. The steamer must have a length of about 300 English feet with engines of 1,500 indicated horse-power.

An adventurer, claiming high military rank and an important Chinese appointment, has victimized several Melbourne society people on the pretext of disposing of railway concessions. His wife and himself were received at the best houses. Dinners and balls were arranged in their honour. Finally, suspicions were aroused, and the couple disappeared. Society is much scandalized.

Miss J. M. Howard Gwyther, younger daughter of Mr. J. Howard Gwyther, Chairman of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, was married on the 23rd ult., at Christ Church, Lancaster Gate, London, to Mr. J. E. Söderberg, eldest son of Edward Söderberg of Kristianstad, Sweden. The wedding presents were both numerous and costly, and were much admired by the large number of guests who were present.

Various promotions in and appointments to the Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, intimation of which has already been made, were announced in the London *Gazette* of the 22nd. Amongst these were:—To be G.C.M.G.:—Sir Ernest Mason Satow, K.C.M.G., His Majesty's Minister at Peking. To be K.C.M.G.:—Commodore Francis Powell, R.N., for services in China. He is commodore in charge of naval establishments, Hongkong. He was decorated for services at Benin, and now enjoys the good service pension. Pelham Laird Warren, Esq., C.M.G., His Majesty's Consul-General at Shanghai, for services in China. Chapman James Clark, South Australian Naval Defence Force, for services in China. Commander Ernest Frederic Augustus Gaunt, R.N., for services in China.

We take the following from a home paper:—Under the auspices of the Hastings and St. Leonards United Conservative Association, a fête was yesterday held at the Grove, Hellington, Mr. A. P. M'Ewen kindly placing his grounds at the disposal of the party. The occasion was favoured by fine weather, and the arrangements had been admirably planned. Some thousands of visitors, many travelling by road on coaches and motor-cars, found abundant sources of amusement in the spacious and picturesque grounds. There were variety entertainments, comic cricket and football matches, races for old and young, and tug-of-war. In a marquee erected on the lawn, Mr. M'Ewen entertained a numerous company at luncheon. Among those present were Lord Zouche, Mr. H. C. Richards, K.C., M.P., Mr. Edward Boyle, K.C., and Captain Colville, President, and Councilor Bradnam, Chairman of the United Association. After the loyal toasts, "The Host" was proposed by Dr. Deeping. Mr. M'Ewen, in reply, referred to the fact of his having recently come to St. Leonards, and said during his residence there he and his family would do all they possibly could to further the Conservative cause in the district.

In a leading article the *St. James's Gazette* draws attention to a statement which recently appeared in a service paper concerning the alleged shortage of coal on the China Station. Our contemporary asserts that, owing to this cause, the China Squadron was last year unable to carry out its fleet exercises, and that the *Terrible* had only been able to put in 18 days sea-time during the 18 months she had been on the station. The official excuse will, of course, be exceptional pressure. But it was perfectly easy to foresee that the pressure would be exceptional. Steamers have needed coal for a good many years, and for a good many years also we have held the line of communications to the Far East. It must, therefore, have been quite evident to anyone who gave the matter a moment's thought, that however valuable the assistance of the *Concorde* of Europe (we will put it that way) might be in supplying armed force to deal with the disturbances in China, that assistance could only become available if we were prepared to find the means of war in the shape of coal. That, therefore, was the first thing for which our Admiralty had to make provision, and it does not appear to have done it. Worse still; even when the pressure had passed away, it appears to have allowed a whole year to elapse before making the deficiency good. The Admiralty will not be able, in this instance, to plead doubts and fears as to the possibility of the fuel supplied keeping its calorific properties, for it is not a question of the reserve of coal, but of the actual hand-to-mouth supply required to enable the squadron to go about its daily business. Had the Powers of Europe quarrelled over the spoil of China we should, if the facts have been correctly stated, have lost the one immense advantage which should have been ours; the power of obtaining an abundant supply of fuel from a naval base—Hongkong—lying on our possible enemy's line of communications. Fortunately no war broke out, but the consequences have none the less been serious. A squadron of four first-class battleships and many cruisers has passed a year without the opportunity for undergoing that training in steam tactics which turns a mere congregation of ships into a fleet.

H.M.S. *Orlando* was paid off into the B Division of the Portsmouth Fleet Reserve on the 25th ult. by Com. F. H. Colomb.

The *Stam Observer* gives an authoritative contradiction to a report that the Government of Siam is sending troops to Kelantan or some other part of the Malay Peninsula.

Miss S. L. Pownall Wright, late of Newham College and the Ladies' Training College, Cambridge, has been appointed Professor of English at the Women's College, Tokyo.

We take the following from a copy of the *Globe* last month:—Nobody will be surprised, we imagine, to learn that yesterday was the coldest July day on record for the last ten years. Even in London the thermometer did not reach 60 deg., and the temperature in some parts of the country was much lower. Just a week ago we had 87 deg. in the shade, and something like 130 in the sunshine.

After a series of experiments with a view to render torpedo-boats invisible, the German Naval Department has resolved upon a coat of brownish-grey. Boats coated with this colour have yielded excellent results in all tests made. At 1,600 yards they were absolutely undistinguishable, and difficult to detect at shorter distances. The only drawback is that the paint has to be renewed rather frequently. All the torpedo-boats of the Kiel Division are to appear in khaki.

A case of flagrant insubordination occurred last month at Gales Camp, near Irvine, where several thousand Scottish Volunteers were undergoing their annual training. The bandmen of the 4th Lanark, on the ground that they were not allowed sufficient pay, refused to accompany their battalion to manoeuvres. The men were immediately put under arrest, and on the return of the battalion to camp were paraded before the commanding officer. In the course of a short speech the latter told them their conduct was disgraceful, and directed that they should be dismissed with ignominy from the regiment. The sentence was carried out immediately, the facings being torn off their tunics and the men drummed out of camp.

Nadar, the great photographer of Paris, recently told an interviewer about some of his Royal sitters. The German Emperor seems to be one of the most difficult. He never allows the photographer to suggest or rearrange the pose. "I tried it twice," says Nadar, "protesting: 'Your Majesty, the light is not good; thus; kindly look in the other direction.' But he replied curtly each time: 'I want you to take my portrait just so.' With that system he frequently gets twenty negatives made, all but in some respect, and he rejects them all. They have then to be broken in the presence of one of his officers, who signs a certificate of destruction. I had the luck of hitting off two pictures that pleased the Kaiser, and these he keeps. He sent me copies of them and quite a large fee—after nearly eight months. He is never in a hurry to pay, I am told. A peculiarity of his is that he has no pictures showing him in a relaxed attitude, with a soft look in his eyes. He wants to be martial. He may have been chatting, laughing and he can be a good comrade when he wants to—but the minute he gets in front of the camera he starts at it, right in the eye, as he would to cow an enemy in single combat."

A military contributor writes to M.A.P., saying that Mr. T. P. O'Connor in his recent paragraph about Sir Henry and Lady Blake omitted to mention that the latter is a great naturalist, passionately devoted to animals of all kinds, and generally surrounded by a perfect menagerie of them. Whilst in Jamaica Lady Blake, who, by the way, has written many interesting articles on West Indian insects, particularly on flies, possessed a tame tiger cat, which roamed about the grounds at will. "I do not know whether that tiger-cat still lives, but he was once the hero of a very moving incident," adds the contributor, "during the days of my service in Jamaica. During a Government House ball a gay subaltern and a maiden fair wandered forth into the grounds, no doubt with a view to improving their astronomical knowledge. Presently they espied a rustic seat beneath a spreading tree, and sat down upon it, little reckoning that underneath was stretched the tiger-cat fast asleep. The tips of Mars were all but in conjunction with the lips of Venus when the tiger-cat awoke from dreams of his native fastnesses. Perhaps he, too, wished to study the heavens, and was annoyed at finding his view obscured; or possibly it was merely his playfulness, but anyway he stretched up a paw between the ears of the seat, and—shall we say?—clung to the subaltern. There was a manly howl, answered by a feminine shriek and a low, splitting snarl; the lady stood not upon the order of her going, but went swiftly towards the house. But it was some time before the subaltern could tear himself away from the enchanted spot, and when he did it was only to plunge into a neighbouring thicket, whence he issued fervent appeals to all and sundry to bring him a gun and an overcoat."

## COLLEGE OF MEDICINE.

A meeting of the General Council and students of the Hongkong College of Medicine for Chinese will be held in the Legislative Council Chamber to-morrow at 12 noon when His Excellency Sir W. J. Goschen, K.C.M.G., will present the diploma of the College to the following students who have completed the curriculum of study and passed the professional examination:—The Hon. Kuo (with distinction), Lau Lai, Lee Yie See, Ho Ko Tann and Chan Kai Kwong.

## TELEGRAMS.

## "DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

## FAR EASTERN AFFAIRS.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

London, 25th August, 7.30 p.m.

## THE FRENCH AT KWANCHAUWAN.

The French authorities are considering the project for establishing a naval base at Kwanchauwan, between Nivert and For Bayard, involving a cost of £1,250,000.

## REUTERS'S SERVICE.

London, 25th August.

## AMERICAN LAWN TENNIS.

The American doubles won by the Doherty brothers, reported on the 15th instant, was in Long Island (New York) Tennis Championship competition.

## CAPE PARLIAMENT.

The Cape Assembly has passed the second reading of the Parliamentary and Financial Indemnity Bill. It has been passed by a strong protest against the restricted legislation enacted in British Columbia, which the Federal authorities will undoubtedly disallow.

## JAPAN AND CANADA.

The *Times* Ottawa correspondent states that Count Komura, Japanese Minister of Foreign Affairs, has sent the Canadian Government a strong protest against the restricted legislation enacted in British Columbia, which the Federal authorities will undoubtedly disallow.

## DROUGHT IN AUSTRALIA ENDED.

The protracted drought in New South Wales and Queensland has broken.

## KILLED BY LIGHTNING.

The brothers Pearson, one a Hammermith elergymen and the other an Inspector of Factories, have been killed by lightning on the Wetherillan.

## A BYE-ELECTION.

Mr. H. W. Foster (Conservative) has been re-elected for Berwick with 1,338 votes against Mr. Morice (Liberal) with 4,442 votes.

London, 24th August.

## FRANCE AND ABYSSINIA.

His Highness Ras Makonnen of Abyssinia has terminated his visit to France, and has embarked at Marseilles for Aden.

## BELATED NEWS.

Messrs. Bruce and Lewis (Lewins) two missionaries belonging to the China Inland Mission Society, have been taken to death by a mob in the Province of Hunan. The affair is causing considerable uneasiness, the remoteness of the district making it difficult to obtain information.

## THE CIGAR-OPERATIVES' STRIKE IN MANILA.

The latest news to hand from Manila brought by the *Perla* reveals some startling developments in connection with the strike of the cigar-operatives. It appears that the men were willing and anxious to return to work but they were intimidated, and threatened by the instigator and originator of the strike. Incriminating evidence, in the shape of letters, having been found on persons of a certain class's emissaries (who are all under arrest), a warrant was issued, and he was arrested and lodged at the Police Station. Police station. He is to be tried by Judge Morris at Pasa and it is now confidently expected that the removal of this arch agitator from the arena of contest will speedily bring the strike to an end.

## ROBINSON CRUSOE'S ISLE.

The small island of Juan Fernandez, home of Robinson Crusoe, the friend and hero of our childhood, now acquires, according to a report in the *Bulletin Commercial*, a certain industrial importance. This island, situated in the Southern Pacific, about 350 kilometres, or 500 English miles, from Valparaiso, is about 15 miles long and 8 miles wide, and has a very good natural harbour, where even vessels of large draught can anchor with safety. Under Chilean jurisdiction, a large cannery has recently been established for the packing of fish, lobsters, and crabs, which are said to be not only very abundant but also of excellent quality. The lobsters are reported to be of immense size and very fine flesh, and as the supply of these crustaceans is considered plentiful for many years to come, and the cost of same very low indeed, there is, in the opinion of our Belgian contemporary, every chance of success for the establishment of up-to-date canneries. As a further source of income is mentioned, the catch of a kind of seal which abounds in Juan Fernandez and some of the neighbouring islands, the skins of these animals meeting with a good market in Valparaiso at any time. There are numerous springs of excellent water in the island, and fruit and vegetables can be grown almost without attention.

## LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The silk ex N.P. steamer *Manoela* arrived in New York on the 14th inst. The N.P. steamer *Yuko* left Yokohama for Tacoma on the 26th inst. The P. & O. steamer *Nushta* left Singapore for this port on the 26th inst., at 11 a.m.







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THE Band of the 33rd Burma Infantry will play a selection of music during dinner at the 28th inst. at the above Hotel. Tables booked in advance.

H. RUTTONJEE, Proprietor.

Hongkong, 27th August, 1902. [2291]

## TO BE LET.

NOS. 5, 18, 19, and 20, BELILIOS TERRACE; Also "THE EYRIE," FEEL, FURNISHED. For Particulars, apply to TURNER & CO.

Hongkong, 27th August, 1902. [2261]

CHEESE! CHEESE! CHEESE!

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Hongkong, 27th August, 1902. [2294]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

"LOONGSANG," Captain G. S. Weigall, will be despatched on above on TUESDAY, the 2nd September, at 4.30 P.M.

This steamer has superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 27th August, 1902. [2292]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged on to the Steamer, and is to be landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., in both cases it will be at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from the Steamer on and after the 27th instant.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to the arrival of the Steamer.

Goods undelivered after the 2nd September must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 2nd September.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 26th August, 1902. [11]

S.S. "TAOS,"

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London, as s.s. "Eggedal," from Bordeaux, ex s.s. "Vile de Lorient," and "Leroy Lallier," in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasures, and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon. To-day, the 26th instant, requesting it to be landed here, or before the 2nd September, or they will not be re-recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on Tuesday, the 2nd September, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 26th August, 1902. [2]

"INDRA" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamer

having arrived from the above ports. Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 2nd prox. at 2 P.M. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within 14 days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no claims will be recognized.

Optional Cargo will be landed here unless intimation is given to the contrary before 2 P.M. To-day, the 26th inst.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 26th August, 1902. [2293]

## AUCTIONS

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned have received instructions from A. REID, Esq., to Sell by Public Auction:

TO-DAY (WEDNESDAY), the 27th August, 1902, at 2.30 P.M., at No. 2, VICTORIA VIEW, Kowloon.

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Comprising—

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Catalogues will be issued.

Terms—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 25th August, 1902. [2275]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

on FRIDAY, the 29th August, 1902, at 5.30 P.M. Sharp, on the POLO GROUND at CAUSEWAY BAY, The full lot of PONIES, the property of Major WARREN, R.A.—

"BRUMBLE," Bay Water Gelding 14.1. Winner of the Nil Desperandum Stakes at the last Race Meeting.

"SHOOT," Cream Water Mare 14.1. Winner of the Morrison Hill Cup, "Off Day" Races, 1902.

"KANGAROO," Winner of Races; And One BROWN MARE 14.1. 6 years old, sound and only lately imported from Australia. Terms—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 25th August, 1902. [2267]

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

MEMBERS who are desirous of subscribing for China Ponies for forthcoming meeting and who have not already sent their names in, will please communicate with the undersigned.

A. S. ANTON, Acting Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 25th August, 1902. [2280]

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

PROGRAMME FOR THE 1903 MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

1. Wong Nei Cheung Stakes, Five Furlongs, Hongkong-Walors.

2. Valley Stakes, 1 Mile, China Griffins.

3. Maiden Stakes, 1 Mile, Water Griffins.

4. Victoria Stakes, One Mile, China Ponies.

5. Foodow Cup, 2-mile post once round and in, Open Waters.

6. Derby, One and a half Miles, Water Griffins.

7. Luwiano Cup, One Mile, China Griffins.

8. Club Cup, One and a half Miles, China Ponies.

9. Encouragement Stakes, One Mile, Water Griffins.

10. Chinese Club Cup, Once round, China Griffins.

SECOND DAY.

1. Flyaway Stakes, Seven Furlongs, Water Griffins.

2. Exchange Plate, 1 Mile, China Ponies.

3. Professional Cup, One and a half Miles, Open Waters.

4. German Cup, One Mile and a quarter, China Griffins.

5. Garrison Cup, One Mile, Water Griffins.

6. Jockey Cup, One Mile, China Griffins.

7. Great Southern Stakes, 2-mile post once round and in, China Ponies.

8. Navy Cup, One and a quarter Mile, Hongkong-Walors.

9. Hongkong Stakes, One Mile and a half, China Griffins.

10. Tai Yauk Fong Cup, Once round, China Ponies.

THIRD DAY.

1. Spring Stakes, 2-mile post once round and in, China Griffins.

2. Grand Stand Stakes, One Mile and a quarter, Water Griffins.

3. Challenge Cup, One Mile and three quarters, China Ponies.

4. Ladies' Purse, One Mile, Hongkong-Walors.

5. Blake Challenge Cup, One Mile, China Griffins.

6. The Faresse Cup, One Mile, China Ponies.

7. Phoenix Stakes, 1 Mile, Water Griffins.

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9. Water Champions, One Mile and a quarter, Open Waters.

10. Nil Desperandum Stakes, 1 Mile, China Griffins.

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"OPEN WALTERS" means all Waters imported into Hongkong in any year as "Subscription" or "Derby Griffins." Waters not exceeding 15 hands 1 inch first raised in Shanghai as "Subscription Griffins," and all Waters imported into Hongkong before August 1st, 1902, not exceeding 15 hands 1 inch in height.

"CHINA GRIFINS" means all China Ponies imported into Hongkong in 1902 as "Subscription Griffins."

"CHINA PONIES" means all China Ponies not exceeding 14 hands 2 inches in height.

By Order of the Stewards, A. S. ANTON, Acting Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 23rd August, 1902. [2270]

## STEAMSHIP "TINGSANG" GENERAL AVERAGE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all Claims for damage to Cargo, and for Cargo short received, must be submitted to the Adjuster, Mr. F. S. FULCHER (of the China Traders' Insurance Co.), Hongkong, on or before the 15th September next, after which date no Claims will be recognized.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

INDO-CHINA S. N. Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 14th August, 1902. [2190]

## PUBLIC COMPANIES

## HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S HOTEL, THIS DAY (WEDNESDAY), the 27th AUGUST, 1902, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts of the Company to the 30th June, 1902, with the Report of the Directors, and to discuss any matter that may be competently brought before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st to the 27th August, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, C. MOONEY, Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th August, 1902. [2202]

EDWARDS, PIRY & CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the OFFICES of the Company, No. 1, DUNDALL STREET, at 4 P.M., TO-DAY (WEDNESDAY), the 27th August, 1902.

EDWARDS, PIRY & CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 21st August, 1902. [2255]

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WAREHOUSE AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A N INTERIM DIVIDEND of the rate of 4 per Cent. (Two Dollars per share) for the Six Months ending 30th June, 1902, will be paid to those Persons who are Registered as Shareholders in the above Company on the 30th August, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 27th to the 30th instant, both days inclusive.

EDWARD OSBORNE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st August, 1902. [2256]

THE PUNJON MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at a Meeting of the Board of Directors of the above named Company held on the 18th day of August, 1902, it was resolved that the following Ordinary Shares of the said Company, the distinguishing Numbers of which are hereunder written, be and they were duly FORFEITED in accordance with Article No. 28 of the Articles of Association of the said Company.

Notice of the liability to FORFEITURE of these SHARES appeared in the Hongkong Local Newspapers from the 8th day of July to the 25th day of July, 1902.

NUMBERS OF FORFEITED SHARES.

5539/2585 4233/4234 12273/12297

13037/13706 12054/12253 21433/21447

22107/22121 22684/22728 23522/23591

38142/38166 38154/38163 39389/39472

43967/43982 55291/55340 55301/55490

57502/57526

W. KERFOOT HUGHES, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th August, 1902. [2254]

CAMPBELL, MOORE & COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held in the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 29, Queen's Road Central, at 4 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 26th SEPTEMBER, 1902, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1901.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 26th August to the 31st September, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, M. A. A. SOUZA, Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd August, 1902. [2264]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE CERTIFICATE No. 302, dated 22nd September, 1893, of the Five Shares Nos. 8986/8990 in this Company, standing in the name of MR. TANG A LOK, of Hongkong, has been LOST, and if at the expiration of One Month from the date hereof the above document is not forthcoming another Certificate will be issued by the Company and thereafter no other will be acknowledged.

Dated 25th August, 1902.

GEO. L. TOMLIN, Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd August, 1902. [2264]

TENDERS.

TENDERS for REPAIRS to the AMERICAN SHIP "LUZON," as required by the Surveyor's report, which can be seen on application to the undersigned, are invited to be sent in to the undersigned, J. G. PARKS, Master of American Ship "Luzon," Care of E. C. RAY, No. 2, Peddar Street, Hongkong, 26th August, 1902. [2256]

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Hongkong, 19th August, 1902. [2222]

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Hongkong, 13th June, 1902. [71]

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Apply to—LINSTEAD & DAVIS.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1902. [83]

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Hongkong, 2nd August, 1902. [2090]

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Apply to—LINSTEAD & DAVIS.

Hongkong, 20th August, 1902. [2288]

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Apply to—G. C. ANDERSON, 4, Peddar Street (Ground Floor), Hongkong, 13th June, 1902. [809]

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Hongkong, 2nd June, 1902. [1555]

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Apply by letter to—BOX 25, Care of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 18th August, 1902. [2113]

TO LET.

OFFICES at 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Apply to—G. GIRAULT.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1902. [2121]

TO LET.

NO. 3, "MAGDALEN TERRACE," MAGARISE GAP.

Apply to—SPANISH PROCURATION.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1902. [577]



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at current rates.**

**P. LEMAITRE & CO.**  
Hongkong, 7th February, 1902. [473]

**ACHREN AND MUNICH FIRE IN-  
SURANCE CO.**  
**OF AIX-LE-CHAPPEL.**

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Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [1118]

**THE LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND  
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Hongkong, 3rd June, 1902. [1573]

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**TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1901,  
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**I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL... £3,000,000 0 0**  
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Agents.  
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1902. [1427]

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**WM. MEYERINK & CO.**  
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Hongkong, 16th November, 1892. [25]

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## CHAPTER XI.

## CONCERNS MY PRIVATE AFFAIRS.

## "What have you found there?" inquired

## Ambler Jevons, quickly interested, and yet

## surprised at my determination to conceal it

## from him.

## "Something that concerns me," I replied

## briefly.

## "Concerns you?" he ejaculated. "I don't

## understand. How can anything among the old

## man's private papers concern you?"

## "This concerns me personally," I answered.

## "No," my friend said. "Pardon me, Ralph,

## for speaking quite plainly, but in this affair we

## are both working towards the same end—namely,

## to elucidate the mystery. We cannot hope for

## success if you are bent upon concealing your

## discoveries from me."

## "This is a private affair of my own," I

## declared dogmatically. "What I have found only

## concerns myself."

## He shrugged his shoulders with an air of

## distinct dissatisfaction.

## "Even if it is a purely private matter we are

## both good friends enough to be cognisant of

## one another's secrets," he remarked.

## "Of course," I replied dubiously. "But only

## up to a certain point."

## "Then, in other words, you imply that you

## can't trust me," I answered calmly.

## "We are the best of friends, and I hope we shall

## always be so. Will you not forgive me for

## refusing to show you these letters?"

## "I only ask you one question. Have they

## anything to do with the matter we are

## investigating?"

## I hesitated. With his quick perception he saw

## that I was not ready upon my lips.

## "They have," your silence tells me so. In

## that case it is your duty to show me them."

## I protested again, but he overruled my

## arguments. In common fairness to him I ought

## not, I knew, to keep back the truth. And yet

## it was the greatest and most terrible blow that

## had been fallen upon me. He saw that I was

## crushed and stampeding, and he stood by me

## wondering.

## "Forgive me, Ambler," I urged again.

## "When you have read this letter you will fully

## understand why I have endeavoured to conceal

## it from you: why, if you were not present

## here at this moment, I would burn them all,

## and not leave a trace behind."

## Then I handed him the letter, and

## he took it eagerly, skimmed it through, and

## started just as I had started when he saw the

## signature. Upon his face was a blank expres-

## sion, and he returned it to me without a word.

## "Well?" I asked. "What is your opinion?"

## "My opinion is the same as your own, Ralph,"

## he answered slowly, looking me straight in

## the face. "It is amazing—startling—

## —tragic."

## "You think then that the motive of the

## crime was jealousy?"

## "The letter makes it quite plain," he an-

## swered bluntly. "Give me the others. Let me

## see these letters. I know how severe this blow

## must be to you, old fellow," he added,

## sympathetically.

## "Yes, it has staggered me," I stammered.

## "I am utterly dumfounded by the unexpected

## revelation!" and I handed him the packet of

## correspondence, which he placed upon the table,

## and seating himself, commenced eagerly to

## examine letter after letter.

## While he was thus engaged I took up the

## first letter, and read it through—right to the

## beginning.

## It was apparently the last of a long corre-

## pondence, for all the letters were arranged

## chronologically, and this was the last of the

## packet. Written from Newford Manor,

## Northamptonshire, and vaguely dated "Wednes-

## day," as is a woman's habit, it was addressed to

## Mr. Courtenay and ran as follows:—

## "Words cannot express my contempt for a

## man who breaks his word as easily as you break

## yours. A year ago, when you were my father's

## guest, you told me that you loved me, and

## urged me to marry you. At first I laughed at

## your proposal; then when I found you really

## serious, I pointed out the difference of our ages.

## You, in return, declared that you loved me with

## all the ardour of a young man; that I was your

## ideal; and you promised by all you held most

## sacred that if I consented I should never regret

## it. I believed you, and believed that you would

## later fulfil the promise you made me. I later

## found out that you were a secret—secret

## Cairo, and that you had been married. And

## now you intend to make me your wife. And

## now you have kept your promise? To-day,

## my father has informed me that you are to

## marry Mary! Imagine the blow to me! My

## father expects me to rejoice, little dreaming

## how I have been fooled; how lightly

## you have treated a woman's affections and

## aspirations. Some there are who find them-

## selves in my position, who find that the

## hands the packet of correspondence which

## is before me as I write, and thus open his eyes

## to the fact that she is but the dupes of a man

## devoid of honour. Shall I do so? No. Best

## assured that I shall not. If my sister is happy

## let her remain so. My vendetta lies not in that

## direction. The fire of hatred may be stifled,

## but it can never be quenched. We shall

## quits some day, and you will regret











